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Attorney's Docket No. 9448-24

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Leonard et al.

Group Art Unit: 1617

Serial No.: 10/029,424

Examiner: Kim

Filed: December 20, 2001

For: *Method of Treating Hormonal Deficiencies in Women Undergoing Estrogen Replacement Therapy*

Date: March 7, 2006

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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
(37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to respond to the Final Official Action dated September 7, 2005.

2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

☒ is filed herewith.

☐ has been filed.

3. Applicant:

☐ Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Does not claim small entity status.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):

| | <u>Total Months Requested</u> | <u>Fee For Other Than Small Entity</u> | <u>Fee for Small Entity</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | one month | \$120.00 | \$60.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | two months | \$450.00 | \$225.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | three months | \$1,020.00 | \$510.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | four months | \$1,590.00 | \$795.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | five months | \$2,160.00 | \$1,080.00 |

Fee Enclosed \$1,020.00

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- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,



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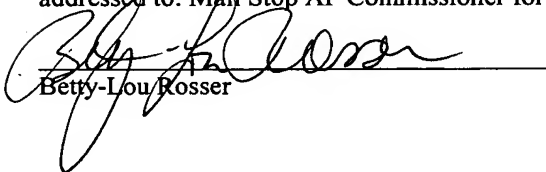
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